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## LOST AND FOUND

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## MISCELLANEOUS

\$5 REWARD—If party who took old coat from Messenger's store Tuesday morning containing pearl handle pocket knife and pair eye glasses, will return same, above reward will be paid and no questions asked. 53-1-c

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## When Khaki Calls

By M. E. Stanton

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It was evening and the big office buildings were discharging their quota of humanity, who, though still in workaday garb, stepped forth briskly into the crisp autumn air, conscious that the chains of office were loosened for a few brief hours and that they were free to play, relax and to take their little parts in the comedies and tragedies of social life.

Ann Donovan was one of a group of animated, chattering girls that emerged from one of these immense beehives of industry. They lingered for a moment on the sidewalk, laughing and talking, then scattered on their various homeward ways.

Ann started off, but had only gone a few feet when a quick step sounded behind her and a pleasant masculine voice said:

"Hello, Ann! What's your hurry?"

It was annoying. Why would Tommy insist on waiting for her every evening? Of course he was pleasant company, and all that, but—well, a girl likes to dream sometimes, and that walk home in the evening, along the quiet, shaded streets, was the only bit of time out of the whole busy day she might have for herself.

"Good evening, Mister Regan," Ann managed to respond, taking a certain satisfaction in using her most formal and reserved tones, usually reserved for impatient salesmen or persistent book agents who invaded the office.

"Why so distant, Ann? Doesn't Tommy sound good to you any more? That mister stuff doesn't listen natural comin' from you to me." And the cheerful Tommy softly hummed:

"Pack up your troubles in your old kit bag."

And smile, smile, smile!"

"Then my sentiments every time. Fellow that wrote that song must have been a real fellow. One who knows that a smile makes the digging easier, whether you're digging with a shovel, or a pen or a sword."

Tommy's voice faltered a little on the last word, and he gazed at his friend anxiously and uncertainly at his silent companion.

"Er—Ann, there's something I've been wanting to tell you, and I don't see why I mightn't as well tell you now."

Ann was pale-stricken. Why could not Tommy be satisfied with things as they were and not begin treating on dangerous ground. Besides—and this was the real reason—a certain nervousness had been lurking in the back ground of Ann's mind for some time with reference to this same Tommy Regan. How could he sit tamely before a desk and watch other fellows, dozens of them, marching away to "carry the starchy banner over seas?"

Tommy was a strapping, stalwart youth, clean-cut and pleasing to the eye. Aggressive and intelligent, he had in him the making of a splendid American soldier.

But he had not enlisted when the nation-wide call for volunteers went forth, nor had the long arm of conscription as yet reached out for him. He and Ann had never directly discussed the subject. It was constantly in Ann's thoughts, but a certain hesitancy had prevented her from introducing the topic, and though she had skated dangerously close at times, for all of Tommy's unflinching cheerfulness and apparent willingness to chat on anything and everything under the sun, somehow he had never given her a clue as to his real reason for putting himself in the slacker class.

Ann herself was an ardent patriot. Fifteen dollars a week is not a munificent sum, but when a girl lives at home the stretching qualities of even a meager fifteen dollars are remarkable. So by dint of wearing her last season's suit, by studiously keeping her head turned the other way when passing an ice-cream parlor, by sundry small economies and self-denials constantly practiced the world over by thousands of working girls, she was able to buy a Liberty bond, to join the Red Cross and to contribute her mite to various special funds for the benefit of "Our Boys."

She was even now learning to knit in the "From Potatoes to Knitting Needles" class recently launched at the office.

So when Tommy announced in that serious tone that he had something to tell her, she mentally besought her patron saint to ward off the imminent proposal without hurting the lad's feelings or destroying their friendship.

For, after all, thought Ann, they had grown up together as neighbors, and there had always been a friendly feeling between the two families, though of late years the social intercourse had been confined chiefly to the young people save for an occasional "cross-the-fence" chat between Mrs. Regan and Ann's mother.

They were on a quiet side street now and her prayer seemed hopeless when, just as Tommy started to resume his confidence, the heaven-sent interruption occurred. The interruption was just a pair of lovers strolling along arm in arm—a scene as old as the eye ever interestingly new to observers as well as to observers. The youth

was clad in khaki and he carried himself with a jaunty, conscious air of pride that found eager reflection in the admiring maid at his side.

Ann and Tommy turned to look after them. Who could resist a backward glance at a pair of lovers?

"Oh!" sighed Ann, "doesn't he look splendid?"

And then valor tweaked discretion's ears and rushed into the fray.

"Now can you stay at home and let folks call you a slacker, when all these brave fellows are giving up their homes, their work—yes, even their lives, to make our homes, our work and our lives safe? You've told me before that you loved me, but I don't want to hear you say it again, for I'll never marry a slacker. Never! Oh, how I wish I had been a man!"

And to Tommy's consternation Ann started to cry. He waited until her sobs had ceased, then said:

"But look here, Ann, I want to tell you—"

"Oh, what's the use of arguing about it now?" queried Ann wearily. "There's only one way for a man—a strong, healthy young fellow like you—to prove his patriotism. If you won't do it, your friends can't force you to."

This was the proper cue for a dignified exit, and as at this precise moment they reached the front gate of Ann's home she murmured a brief "good night" and left him abruptly.

Tommy's voice, still maddeningly cheerful, called after her: "If you happen to feel like the movies tonight, don't forget my phone number."

And Ann could hear him tramping up his own front steps whistling: "Keep the home fires burning."

"Yes, you'll keep them burning all right," she spitefully apostrophized him, as she entered the house and slammed the door with a vigorous bang that brought her mother hurrying from the dining room, where supper was just sending forth its savory invitation.

"Why, dearie, you came in like a cyclone. No villain pursuing you, is there?" And Mrs. Donovan laughed expectantly, for she and this only daughter of hers were chums and shared a sense of Irish humor.

"Nothing, mother. I'm just a little tired and hungry, I guess, and supper smells so good. I'm ready, if it is."

"All right. But, Ann, did you hear about Tommy Regan? His mother was over this afternoon and told me about it. She cried and cried, but she's so proud of him, and she says he's so anxious to go, and—"

"What, mother? Tommy hasn't?"

"Enlisted! Yes, he has," exclaimed Mrs. Donovan, dabbling at a future tear with the corner of her apron. "That's just what Tommy has gone and done. She told me all about how he's felt ever since the war started; how it hurt him to see the other fellows marching off when he had to stay at home."

"Well, why did he have to stay at home?" interrupted Ann. "Of course I know it would leave his mother alone, but Mr. Regan must have left quite a lot of money when he died."

"But he didn't," exclaimed her mother. "Everyone thought so, but it appeared that he speculated heavily, not only with his own money, but with some that had been entrusted to his care. His sudden death was a result of the slack of losing everything, and Tommy, who was just starting out to make his way in the world, promised his father that he would see that the funds which had been misused were replaced, though it took years of self-denial on his part. His mother says he has stuck manfully to his promise and has done everything possible to restore his father's honor, but it seemed such a hopeless task."

Mrs. Donovan paused for breath.

"Go on, mother," prompted Ann.

"Well, what do you think? Some of that missing stock has turned out to be valuable after all. There wasn't any gold in the mines, but they have found something else—tungsten. I believe it is called—that is worth nearly as much. Anyway, they can pay off all their debts and Tommy will know that his mother is well taken care of, even if he's away off in France. She said after he made sure he didn't waste a minute getting down to the recruiting headquarters."

Ann started for the telephone.

"Where are you going?" asked her mother, with the kindly inquisitiveness of those near and dear.

Ann looked around the cosy living room with a speculative eye.

"Tommy want'd me to call him up. But I wonder if we wouldn't rather stay at home than go downtown to-night? I'm kind of tired of the movies myself."

Heresty and Carelessness.

There are so many ways in which to be careless with the things that belong to others. Most of us seldom think of these small sins of commission and omission. We would not, for anything in the world, knowingly trespass on the rights of others. Yet, day after day, because we do not think, we do things that are really destructive, and verge very closely upon dishonesty of act, if not intention. Dishonesty is an ugly word. But it is better to face the fact that the careless person is really the dishonest person, for only by admitting a fault can it be cured. Are you careless? If so, look to it that your carelessness does not work harm to yourself and to those about you.

The Eye for an Eye.

Mother (to curate)—And do you really pray for your enemies?

Ethel (overhearing)—I do, mummy.

Curate—And what do you say in your prayer, my child?

Ethel—I pray that they may be beaten.—Punch.

BUY W. S. S.—

Minute by Minute.

If you had tomorrow's work along with the work of today, of course you would find it too hard for you. But this is just what you are doing when you worry over what is going to happen. No day has so many hard things that we cannot bear them, but we never have strength enough at any one time to bear the worries of several days together. Live minute by minute if you would be equal to all that comes.

## What Contentment Means.

Everybody knows that contentment is the secret of doing the best work, but some people fail to realize that a lack of concentration is the secret of so much nervous, taxing, hurried work. It is the thought of something else we need to do which makes us feel that we must race through what we are engaged in, and makes every instant's delay so excessively trying. Could we think only of the task in hand, we should do it better, and far more happily.

BUY W. S. S.—

## Attract and Repel Lightning.

The best conductors of lightning, placed in the order of conductivity, are said to be: Metals, gas coke, graphite, solutions of salts, acids and water. The best nonconductors, ending with nearly perfect insulation, are india rubber, gutta-percha, dry air and gases, wood, ebonite, silk, glass, wax, sulphur, resins, paraffin.

BUY W. S. S.—

## Cattle Increasing in Cuba.

Natural milk is sold in almost all parts of Cuba, but condensed milk is in very general use, and is consumed in relatively large quantities. According to the census of 1907 there were at that time 2,578,452 cattle in the republic which number, it is estimated, has now risen to above 3,000,000.

## LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF MICHIGAN—County of Gratiot. In the Circuit Court for the County of Gratiot, in Chancery.

Miles G. Barnhart, plaintiff, vs. Thomas Butler, H. H. Leggett, Daniel D. Davis and Jacob Holloper, or their unknown heirs, legatees, devisees and assigns and the wives, if any, of John A. Wilcox and George W. Tuttle, defendants.

Suit pending in the Circuit Court for the County of Gratiot, in Chancery, at Ithaca in said county, on the 20th day of July, A. D. 1918.

In this cause it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court by Plaintiff's verified Bill of Complaint that said Bill is filed under and pursuant to the terms, conditions and requirements of Sections 20 to 27 inclusive Chapter XII of the Judiciary Act of nineteen hundred and fifteen, and that it involves the title to the north half of the south east quarter of section twenty-seven in township nine north of range one west, Michigan:

And it further appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that the defendants whose names are above stated are not residents of this state and that their residence or whereabouts are unknown and cannot be ascertained, and that after diligent search and inquiry it is impossible to ascertain the names of the persons who are included as defendants in this cause without being named:

Now, therefore, on motion of O. G. Tuttle, attorney for said plaintiff, it is ordered that said named and unnamed defendants enter their appearance in said cause on or before three months from the date of this order, and that within twenty days said plaintiff cause a copy of this order to be published in The Alma Record, a newspaper published in said County, once in each week for six weeks in succession, and also cause a copy thereof to be mailed to said defendants at their last known post office address by registered mail.

EDWARD J. MOINET, Circuit Judge.

Countersigned: R. L. CASE, Clerk of the Court.

Take Notice, That the above suit involves the title to the north half of the south east quarter of section twenty-seven in township nine north of range one west, Michigan, and is brought to quiet the said title thereto.

O. G. TUTTLE, Attorney for Plaintiff, Ithaca, Michigan. (53-6-c)

STATE OF MICHIGAN—County of Gratiot. In the Circuit Court for the County of Gratiot, in Chancery.

William Kennett, plaintiff, vs. Alfred H. H. Leggett, Daniel D. Davis and Jacob Holloper, or their unknown heirs, legatees, devisees and assigns, defendants.

Suit pending in the Circuit Court for the County of Gratiot, in Chancery, at Ithaca in said county, on the 20th day of July, A. D. 1918.

In this cause it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court by Plaintiff's verified Bill of Complaint that said Bill is filed under and pursuant to the terms, conditions and requirements of Sections 20 to 27 inclusive Chapter XII of the Judiciary Act of nineteen hundred and fifteen, and that it involves the title to the north half of the south east quarter of the north east quarter of section thirty-two in township eleven north of range one west, Michigan:

And it further appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that the defendants whose names are above stated are not residents of this state and that their residence or whereabouts are unknown and cannot be ascertained, and that after diligent search and inquiry it is impossible to ascertain the names of the persons who are included as defendants in this cause without being named:

Now, therefore, on motion of O. G. Tuttle, attorney for said plaintiff, it is ordered that said named and unnamed defendants enter their appearance in said cause on or before three months from the date of this order, and that within twenty days said plaintiff cause a copy of this order to be published in The Alma Record, a newspaper published in said County, once in each week for six weeks in succession, and also cause a copy thereof to be mailed to said defendants at their last known post office address by registered mail.

EDWARD J. MOINET, Circuit Judge.

Countersigned: R. L. CASE, Clerk of the Court.

Take Notice, That the above suit involves the title to the north half of the south east quarter of section thirty-two in township eleven north of range one west, Michigan, and is brought to quiet the said title thereto.

O. G. TUTTLE, Attorney for Plaintiff, Ithaca, Michigan. (53-6-c)

STATE OF MICHIGAN—County of Gratiot. In the Circuit Court for the County of Gratiot, in Chancery.

Stanton and Levi S. Humphrey, or their unknown heirs, legatees, devisees and assigns, defendants.

Suit pending in the Circuit Court for the County of Gratiot, in Chancery, at Ithaca in said county, on the 20th day of July, A. D. 1918.

In this cause it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court by Plaintiff's verified Bill of Complaint that said Bill is filed under and pursuant to the terms, conditions and requirements of Sections 20 to 27 inclusive Chapter XII of the Judiciary Act of nineteen hundred and fifteen, and that it involves the title to the north half of the south east quarter of the north east quarter of section thirty-two in township eleven north of range three west, Michigan:

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Now, therefore, on motion of O. G. Tuttle, attorney for said plaintiff, it is ordered that said named and unnamed defendants enter their appearance in said cause on or before three months from the date of this order, and that within twenty days said plaintiff cause a copy of this order to be published in The Alma Record, a newspaper published in said County, once in each week for six weeks in succession, and also cause a copy thereof to be mailed to said defendants at their last known post office address by registered mail.